

--Continuously, the D/A converter 11 converts the video data outputted from the image signal processing circuit 10 into video signals, and the NTSC video encoder 12 outputs the analog video signal into NTSC video signals.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 15, with the following paragraph:

--The audio data processed by the data analysis processing unit 31 is sent to the data conversion processing unit 34, and is once stored in the second memory 32.--

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please **amend claims 1, 3 and 7** as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A special reproducing method for specially reproducing sound by using an information reproducing apparatus for reading out data from a recording medium having audio data and video data, wherein the audio data read out from a recording medium during n-speed reproducing, where n is a positive number greater than 1, is converted into text data by sound recognition, and the characters representing text data are displayed superimposed on specially reproduced images, wherein contents of the sound which are recorded on the recording medium for n seconds are displayed during 1 second of the specially reproduced images.

3. (Twice Amended) An information reproducing apparatus for reading out data from a recording medium having audio data and video data, wherein the audio data read out

from a recording medium during  $n$ -speed reproducing, where  $n$  is a positive real number greater than 1, is converted into text data by sound recognition, and the characters representing text data are displayed superimposed on specially reproduced images displayed in a display device, wherein contents of the sound which are recorded on the recording medium for  $n$  seconds are displayed during 1 second of the specially reproduced images.

7. (Amended) An information reproducing apparatus for reading out data from a recording medium having audio data and video data, comprising:

a system controller for controlling a reproducing speed of the recording medium;

MPEG audio and video decoders for decoding audio data and video data;

an image signal processing circuit for performing a signal processing for  $n$ -speed producing, where  $n$  is a positive real number greater than 1, with respect to decoded video data;

a sound recognition text conversion circuit for converting decoded audio data into text data by sound recognition; wherein the sound recognition text conversion circuit comprises:

a data analysis processing unit for analyzing the audio data according to speed change information from the system controller and for improving the accuracy of sound recognition by suppressing unnecessary noise;

a data table for registering the text data and the corresponding audio data; and

a data conversion processing unit for integrating the timing of the audio data from the data analysis processing unit with the timing of the audio data from the data table, and searching audio data from the data table nearest to the audio data from the data analysis processing unit by comparing each audio data and receiving the text data corresponding to the audio data from the data table; and

an on-screen character processor for generating video signals displayed by superimposing the characters representing text data with the NTSC reproduced images,

wherein, during special reproduction performed at n-speed, the contents of audio data for n-seconds recorded on the recording medium are displayed for 1 second.